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1. More than a year ago, Peiping completed plans for its first five-year reconstruction period, modeled after the Soviet "Five-Year Plans" and drawn up with the help of Soviet experts. Its initiation had to be postponed because, as the Government explained, experience was needed to handle large-scale construction works. This was true, but it was not the most important reason; for, actually, the Chinese Communists could not engage in large construction projects along with the desperate efforts they have been making to support the Korean war.
2. It was decided that the Hwai River conservancy and the two railway projects, Ch'engtu-Chungking and Nanning-Chennankuan, would provide the experience necessary for the following purposes:
 - a. Learning how to mobilize maximum manpower on a given job without interfering with efficient performance
 - b. Learning to make maximum use of local tools and materials
 - c. Training Chinese and Soviet technicians to cooperate; familiarizing the Soviets with construction problems peculiar to the Chinese, such as Chinese conditions of working economy; and training Chinese laborers and technicians

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